

THE CHURCH @ THE PINES WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

ORDER OF SERVICE 29th August

LEADER: Charmaine Dinham

Welcome/Notices

Quiet Time

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Gathering Prayer

Hymn stf 20 Be still, for the presence of the Lord

PRAYERS: Adoration, Prayer of Confession,

Hymn stf 88 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!

BIBLE READING: Colossians 2:6-15,16-19 & Luke 11:1-13

Hymn stf 424 God forgave my sin in Jesus' name

Discussion on Colossians 2:6-7

To Go with God - prayer

Hymn stf 531 What a friend we have in Jesus

Sermon

Prayer of Intercession / Lords' prayer

Dedication

Hymn stf 526 Lord of all hopefulness

Closing Prayer

Grace

Coffee

The YouTube link to view the live stream on Sunday is:

<https://youtube.com/live/TtxzPSXsWnk?feature=share>



PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

We lift up all young people who have received their exam results. For those who are celebrating — may they know deep gratitude, humility, and joy. For those who are disappointed — may they feel your comfort, strength, and the reassurance that these results do not define their worth. Help each one to see the path ahead, even if it's not the one they expected. Grant them wisdom to make good decisions, courage to face uncertainty, and peace in knowing that growth comes in many forms — not just grades. May they feel the support of their families, friends, and communities. May they trust in their unique gifts, and know that your plans for them are full of hope. In times of confidence or confusion, success or setback, be their guide, their anchor, and their light. Amen.

We pray for all those who are unwell at this time, in body, mind and spirit. We pray particularly for Jeannie and Fred. Bring comfort to the sick, guide the hands that seek to heal them and bring them your peace.

This week, we pray for all those living in Northcott. May they know your peace and love in their lives. Amen.

NOTICES

Church Finances

We do not take a collection during the service but a Response Box (for cash) and a contactless machine (for cards) is on the Information Table, should you wish to make a donation to the work of our Church.

Alternatively, you could sign a Standing Order form committing to regular monthly giving, which allows our Treasurer (Ben) to monitor the church finances more closely. Please do speak with Ben if you wish to make arrangements for this.

Fundraising for 3Generate – Quiz Night 13th September – 5-7pm

We will be holding a quiz night to raise funds for the group going to 3Generate.

All are welcome and there will be questions just for children and young people to answer as well as questions for the whole team.

Bring and share food, and bring your own drinks.

Suggested minimum donation of £5 per household.



REGULAR NOTICES

Pastoral Care Team

We have a team of people who are available for any pastoral needs you might have. If you'd like someone to talk to, have concerns for someone else, or notice someone hasn't been at Church for some time, please do speak with a member of the pastoral team.

Rev Gareth Morley - rector@stmichaelseasthampstead.org.uk

Jeannie Rymill – 07825 041521

Linda Lewis – 07923 958488

Ben Spain – 07830 183010

We expect Rev Wes will join this team when he joins us in September too.

House Group

Linda and Reg run a house group on Wednesday evenings, starting at 7.45pm. All are welcome to join them for this mid-week time of fellowship. Please do speak to Linda or Reg if you'd like more details and for their address.

Ladies Group

A bible study group runs on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 10am. Please speak to Hazel for more details.

Walk and Talk

Our next walk and talk will be on Saturday 27th September, meeting at 2pm in the main car park at south hill park. We usually do a lap of both the lakes at a gentle pace and then have a drink/coffee in the café.

New Men's Group - first meeting Saturday 6th September – 9.30am

The group will meet for the first time on Saturday 6th September. Meeting at 9.30am for breakfast. If you have any questions, please speak with Ben or Brian.



NOTICES FROM THE CIRCUIT

**Service of Inauguration of
the Blackwater Valley Circuit
and Welcome Service for
Revd. Wes Hampton**

**Monday 1st September 7pm
at High Cross Church,
Knoll Rd, Camberley GU15 3SY**



NOTICES FROM ST MICHAEL'S

School Admissions

Those wishing to apply to Ranelagh church school on church attendance criteria will be required to have up to two stamps each month in their child's passport, when they attend a regular service during Years 4 & 5 (even if they have a sibling at the school). To make sure that all new signees understand the admissions criteria we ask that you email the parish office to make an appointment.

Please go to the school website for their latest admissions policy.

Toddler Group

Thursdays 9:30am to 11am (Term time only)

A safe, supportive and nurturing environment, where parents, carers and children meet to enjoy an interactive activity and shared playtime.

If you arrive at 9:30am you will be able to join 'Church Mouse' for some singing, a story, some relaxing time with bubbles, and your little one will receive a sticker.



Ranelagh Information Event – Friday 5th September at 3.30pm

This will be held on Friday 5th September at 3.30pm, at St Michael's. All are welcome to come and find out about the school and admissions policy.

2025 SIF Forms

For applications for Ranelagh for Sept 2026 entry – these can be given in at our service on Sunday 14th September so they can be delivered to Rev'd Gareth to complete and then you can collect the following Sunday.

Ranelagh Admissions – stricter application of the admissions criteria

Rev'd Gareth has informed us that the school have informed churches that they need to adhere to the admissions criteria more strictly.

This means for those applying to the school under criteria 5 will need 2 stamps from a Church of England Church in the Deanery, which sadly, we have been informed, does not include Church @ the Pines. This change will be implemented in September, so will affect anyone applying for their child (where they don't have a sibling at Ranelagh already) for September 2027 entry.

We know this may cause concern for some families, where a decision will need to be made for how you obtain your necessary 2 stamps each month for the relevant church attendance. People will be able to gain one stamp from Rev Gareth's service at Church @ the Pines, but would need to attend a service at St Michael's to obtain the other.

For families where there is already an older sibling at Ranelagh, you would be applying under criteria 4, where the requirement is only that you attend any Christian church.

If you do have concerns, please do discuss with a member of the Leadership Team.



NOTICES FROM THE CIRCUIT

Everyone across the newly forming circuit has been invited to join together at a silent disco!

[Glitterball Silent Disco for Rushmoor Pride - Everyone is Welcome! \(06-Sep-2025\) · ChurchSuite Events](#)

The poster features a vibrant, pixelated background with a rainbow gradient. At the top, it says 'RUSHMOOR PRIDE AND NCMC INVITE YOU TO'. The main title 'Silent GLITTERBALL DISCO' is written in a large, stylized font, with 'Silent' in a cursive script and 'GLITTERBALL DISCO' in bold block letters. Below the title, it says '6TH SEPTEMBER 2025' and 'START AT 6.30 PM @ NORTH CAMP METHODIST'. A yellow banner reads 'GET YOUR GLITTER ON!'. Below this, it says 'BUY YOUR TICKETS NOW!' and lists the ticket prices: '£12 ADULTS', '£5 CHILDREN* (U16)', and '£20 FAMILY TICKET'. A QR code is provided for ticket purchase, with the text 'SCAN ME' above it. At the bottom left, there is a 'love is love' logo. At the bottom right, there are logos for 'NCMC' and 'RUSHMOOR PRIDE'. The text 'NORTH CAMP METHODIST CHURCH, LYNCHFORD ROAD, FARNBOROUGH' is at the bottom left. Contact information is at the bottom right: 'Contact: www.northcampmethodist.co.uk phone: 01252 512226 find us on FB'.

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RUSHMOOR PRIDE

Rev Anne and Sarah thought this would be a great opportunity to gather some of our young people together, so please do encourage your young person to attend. If we can get a group together we can arrange some car sharing. Sarah plans to attend (glitter at the ready!).



READINGS

Colossians 2: 6-15, 16-19

6 So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, 7 rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness.

8 See to it that no one takes you captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy, which depends on human tradition and the elemental spiritual forces[a] of this world rather than on Christ.

9 For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form, 10 and in Christ you have been brought to fullness. He is the head over every power and authority. 11 In him you were also circumcised with a circumcision not performed by human hands. Your whole self ruled by the flesh[b] was put off when you were circumcised by[c] Christ, 12 having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through your faith in the working of God, who raised him from the dead.

13 When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you[d] alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, 14 having cancelled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; he has taken it away, nailing it to the cross. 15 And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.

16 Therefore do not let anyone judge you by what you eat or drink, or with regard to a religious festival, a New Moon celebration or a Sabbath day. 17 These are a shadow of the things that were to come; the reality, however, is found in Christ. 18 Do not let anyone who delights in false humility and the worship of angels disqualify you. Such a person also goes into great detail about what they have seen; they are puffed up with idle notions by their unspiritual mind. 19 They have lost connection with the head, from whom the whole body, supported and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows as God causes it to grow.

Luke 11: 1-13

Jesus' teaching on prayer

11 One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, 'Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.'

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READINGS cont.

2 He said to them, 'When you pray, say:

““Father,

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come.

3 Give us each day our daily bread.

4 Forgive us our sins,

for we also forgive everyone who sins against us.

And lead us not into temptation.”

5 Then Jesus said to them, 'Suppose you have a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say, "Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; 6 a friend of mine on a journey has come to me, and I have no food to offer him." 7 And suppose the one inside answers, "Don't bother me. The door is already locked, and my children and I are in bed. I can't get up and give you anything." 8 I tell you, even though he will not get up and give you the bread because of friendship, yet because of your shameless audacity he will surely get up and give you as much as you need.

9 'So I say to you: ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. 10 For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.

11 'Which of you fathers, if your son asks for[f] a fish, will give him a snake instead? 12 Or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? 13 If you then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!'

